

SOCIAL AND OTHER LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS

Fraternal.

Red Men Elect Officers.

At the last meeting of Seneca Tribe, No. 11, Improved Order of Red Men, the following officers were elected: Prophet, R. B. McCathran, sachem, N. J. Weigand; senior sagamore, J. E. Payne; junior sagamore, R. F. Martin; keeper of the faith, S. H. Jacobson; representatives to the great council of the District of Columbia, Past Sachems C. F. Dickey, R. F. Martin, J. F. Gerhold, S. H. Jacobson and J. E. Payne.

The above officers were installed in their wigwags, 316 Pennsylvania Avenue southeast, last Friday.

Installation of Knights.

Immaculate Conception Branch, No. 419, Catholic Knights of America, at a special meeting held December 27, elected officers for the ensuing term, who were duly installed at the regular meeting January 3, as follows:

P. A. Tobin, president; Michael Mahoney, vice president; William B. Becker, recording secretary; William B. Becker, financial secretary; Thomas Heany, treasurer; Philip Caraher, sergeant-at-arms; William Tinkler, sentinels; Michael McInerney, trustee for three years; James J. Nolan, trustee for two years; and Samuel Johnson, trustee for one year.

Pythian Officers Elected.

Equal Lodge, No. 11, Knights of Pythias, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Chancellor commander, John A. Milnor; vice chancellor, James M. McCauley; president, Charles M. McCauley; master of work, T. F. Armstrong; master at arms, Luther D. Jones; K. of R. and S., Frank J. Henning; master of finance, T. F. Neff; master of exchequer, John H. Mitchell; inner guard, Andrew Lauxman; outer guard, John R. Haskins; trustees, A. Lauxman, J. L. Marshall, T. F. Armstrong; representatives to Grand Lodge, J. R. Haskins, A. Lauxman, C. M. McCauley, J. F. Henning, W. J. Johnson; orphans' trustees, J. R. Haskins, P. J. Cooney, J. H. Mitchell.

Officers Installed.

Germania Lodge, No. 15, Knights of Pythias, officers were elected and installed January 5, to serve the ensuing term: Chancellor commander, John P. Hinkel, re-elected; vice chancellor, G. H. Beckerschnitt; prelate, John G. Angermann; M. of the W., Henry Ware; K. of R. and S., Henry Ware; M. of F., William Escher; M. of E., F. W. Helbig; re-elected, tenth term; M. of A., Andrew Lewis; I. G. F. W. Helbig, Jr.; O. G., George Graener; representative to relief bureau, Henry Ware; representatives to Grand Lodge, F. W. Helbig, Henry Ware, M. Graener, Henry Laubach and George Angermann.

Harmony Lodge Installs.

There was a large crowd of members and visitors at Harmony Lodge, No. 21, Knights of Pythias, last Thursday evening, the occasion being the public installation of officers for the ensuing year.

The reports of the officers show that this year has been the banner one in the history of the lodge. The installation services were performed by Grand Chancellor William M. Hodges, assisted by Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Henry J. Gasson; Grand Master at Arms James W. Carter, and Grand Outer Guard G. E. Sebastian. Section No. 336 of the endowment rank was well represented.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. J. W. Smith, of Epiphany Church. Stirling Pythian addresses were made by the Rev. Brother John C. Bowers, of Harmony Lodge; the Hon. James H. Seeds, Auditor of Treasury Department; the Hon. H. W. Swan, of Iowa, and C. E. Jacobsen, of Calanthe Lodge, No. 11.

The Kimball Quartet rendered several fine numbers, which were much applauded. The Rev. John C. Bowers, on behalf of the lodge, presented the retiring chancellor commander, Robert H. Bowdler, with a handsome past chancellor's jewel for his faithful services during the year. A banquet was served at the conclusion of the ceremony.

The committee in charge of the entertainment were Brothers C. R. Kuhns, C. W. Henderson, J. B. Kelley, W. T. Richey, and E. B. Thomas.

Maccabee Doings.
The week just past has been installation week among the Maccabees in this city.

Anacostia Tent, No. 7, installed their officers on the 24 of January, by the State commander.

On Monday night last the State commander did some good work. King David Tent, No. 11, gave an entertainment at its hall, 610 G Street, and the State commander opened with an address. After concluding his address he hurried to National Tent, No. 1, at 513 Ninth Street, where he installed the officers and made his second speech for the night. Upon its conclusion, he hid himself to Georgetown, where Tent No. 8 was awaiting his arrival, and he again performed the duty of installing the officers of a tent and making his third speech for the evening.

Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, and Mount Vernon Hiv, No. 2, held joint installation ceremonies on Thursday night last, at Northeast Temple. Department Commander English, on part of the knights, and Mrs. Penelope D. Smith, D. S. C., on part of the ladies, did the honors of the occasion. A large attendance of invited guests were present. Refreshments were served to all present.

Tuesday night the State commander installed the officers of Golden Rule Tent, No. 3, and Brightwood Tent, No. 5. At the latter place a joint installation was held, of Brightwood Tent, No. 5, and Brightwood Hiv, No. 5. Refreshments were served and a very nice musical program rendered.

the commander, Dr. J. J. Slattery; Past Commander David Bergezen, D. W. state commander; Past Commander Thomas Rogers and others, and all went away pleased as well as profited by the meeting.

The entertainment given under the auspices of Brightwood Tent, No. 5, for the benefit of Sir Knight G. W. Osborn, at Odd Fellows' Hall, on last Wednesday night, was a success in the fullest sense of the word. More than \$500 will be realized from it. The committee having the matter in charge was active, and all worked for the good cause, but much credit is due to Sir Knight R. F. Conner, for his untiring efforts.

The membership of the Knights of the Maccabees, in this city, at the end of the year 1903, was 2,127, with twelve tents, or separate local organizations.

Bancroft Council Meets.

At the regular monthly meeting of Bancroft Council, No. 466, National Union, held at 514 Ninth Street last Thursday evening, the following were installed officers for the ensuing term:

President, R. W. Kerr; vice president, H. C. Knapp; speaker, G. G. Selbold; recording secretary, H. H. Martin; financial secretary, E. E. Rankin; chaplain, F. C. Campbell; usher, L. F. Headolph; treasurer, D. Weaver; sergeant-at-arms, W. T. Gardner; doorkeeper, W. T. Hearst; H. C. Knapp, F. C. Campbell, and P. U. Sommers, trustees; A. G. Yount, delegate to the cabinet; W. T. Hearst, delegate to the Immediate Relief Association; and P. U. Sommers, delegate to the D. A. F. B. A.

The installation was conducted by James E. Bright, president of the cabinet, assisted by Messrs. Hendler as marshal, Biddis, vice president of the cabinet, and J. L. Marshall, T. F. Armstrong, grand lodge, installed and delivered an address, setting forth new ideas for the guidance of the members of the council, which will be productive of good results.

Addresses were also delivered by Vice President of the cabinet Biddis, Charles T. Hendler, president of Government Printing Office Council, Messrs. Hall, Campbell, and the newly installed officers, after which sandwiches and coffee and cigars were indulged in. The next meeting of the council will be on Friday, February 5, at 7:30 o'clock. All members are requested to be present.

Webster Pythians.

On Tuesday evening, January 5, Grand Vice Chancellor Thomas A. Bynum installed the following officers of Webster Lodge, No. 7, Knights of Pythias: Master of work, Past Grand Chancellor, D. E. Wiber; chancellor commander, Edward Saxton; vice chancellor, F. B. Essex; prelate, H. M. Locke; keeper of records and seal, J. C. Wilson (for third term); master of finance, M. A. Lesse; master of exchequer, F. V. Springmann; master at arms, L. J. Whiting; outer guard, R. T. Whiting; representatives to grand lodge, D. E. Wiber, M. A. Lesse, R. T. Whiting, Jefferson Middleton, and F. V. Springmann; master of work, George E. Gartrell and M. A. Lesse; representative to general relief bureau, J. C. Wilson.

During the installation ceremonies Grand Vice Chancellor Bynum, on behalf of the lodge, presented to the retiring chancellor commander, George H. Jewell, a handsome past chancellor's jewel. The installation ceremony was presided over by Past Grand Chancellor, Edward Saxton, on behalf of the lodge, presented to Past Chancellor William E. Humphrey, the retiring master of exchequer, a handsome silver tea set in recognition of his true and faithful services as master of exchequer for the past thirty years.

Capitol Pythians.

The following officers of Capitol Lodge, No. 24, Knights of Pythias, were formally installed last Tuesday evening by Past Grand Chancellor D. E. Wiber, as deputy grand chancellor:

William T. Richardson, chancellor commander; J. L. Beck, vice chancellor; J. L. Beck, prelate; J. M. Carpenter, master of work; J. W. Carter, keeper of records and seal; S. L. Gardner, master of finance; J. Veldt, master of exchequer; H. F. Kolb, master at arms; C. F. Burdette, inner guard; J. F. Skidmore, outer guard.

Potomac Jr. O. U. A. M.

The following officers for the ensuing term were duly installed for Potomac Council No. 22, Jr. O. U. A. M., last Thursday evening at its hall, 1073 Thirteenth Street, by Deputy State Councilor Evans: Councilor, C. H. Summers; vice councilor, A. Shee; recording secretary, A. T. Tucker; financial secretary, J. A. Nett; treasurer, W. Taylor; conductor, J. Blackman; warden, J. Wallace; inside sentinel, T. Garrison; outside sentinel, J. Stewart.

ART.

Capital Camera Club.

The Capital Camera Club, on the 20th inst., will open a photographic exhibition of more than ordinary local interest. The exhibition will be held at the hemicycle of the Corcoran Gallery of Art, and will continue from January 20 until February 1, inclusive, and it is expected that the exhibition will also be open during the evenings between the dates mentioned.

The pictures to be exhibited are the work of the members of the Photo-Section, a society formed from leading photographic workers throughout the country, who have banded themselves together for the purpose of maintaining what seems to them to be correct standards of photographic art. Without hostility to other photographic societies, this society has drawn to itself many well-known amateur and professional photographers, and the coming exhibition will show to the public their reasons for the creed to which they have subscribed.

Religious.

Theosophical Society Meets.

The Blavatsky branch of the Theosophical Society held its regular weekly meeting on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, in its hall, 107 F Street northwest. The subject for the evening's discussion was "Theosophy as Applied to Life." Several interesting papers were read by members of the branch, and a general discussion of the subject followed.

There was a good attendance. Much interest on the part of the public is exhibited in these weekly meetings of the higher philosophy. The public at large is cordially welcomed to these meetings. A fine library is at its disposal.

Young People's Society.

The Young People's Society of the Church of the New Jerusalem will hold an artistic and instructive entertainment at the Hall of the Ancients on January 12. The entertainment will consist of impersonations in costume of Roman life, with appropriate musical accompaniment by Antioch Huss, harpist. Among the pictures shown will be the "School of the Vestals," the "Votive Offering to Athena."

Meeting at Lafayette.

"The Big Meeting" at the Lafayette Opera House this afternoon will perhaps be the most unique service of the season. The customary address will be dispensed with and in its stead S. H. Hadley will narrate his experiences in rescue work in the slums of New York. Mr. Hadley is the superintendent of the famous Jerry McAuley Mission, and is recognized as one of the foremost Rescue Mission workers on the continent. He himself was reclaimed by the noted Jerry McAuley and probably has as intimate an acquaintance with vice and crime, as well as with the miraculous work of rescue, as any man living. An unusually attractive musical program has been arranged. The Columbia

Potomac Literary Club.

The Potomac Literary Club held its January meeting last evening at the Hotel Stratford. Warren R. Choate, D. C. L., of the Department of Commerce and Labor, presided. The subject was the International Chess Board. He showed how the victories of Admirals Dewey and Schley were far-reaching in rapidly bringing America forward as a world power and making it a strong factor to be counted in all international discussion.

After recess the following program was rendered: Overture, orchestra; Prof. Ben Madert, leader; recitations, Col. B. Thompson; piano solo, Lena Streiten; recitations, A. K. Hall, and trombone solo, Prof. Ben Madert, with orchestra accompaniment. Refreshments were afterward served.

Edand Society Debate.

The members of the Edand Debating Society held their usual holiday celebration in the reception parlors of the society Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The entertainment opened with a solo by Miss Ellen Lang, followed by a piano duet by Miss McIntyre and Mr. Rientzel. A short debate was heard on "Resolved, That the protection given to Panama and the recognition as a republic by the United States under existing conditions is unjust." Timotheus Farrell, the closing speaker on the affirmative side, was pronounced the best speaker of the evening. After the debate the hall was cleared and supper was served.

Windthorst Club.

The following officers of the Windthorst Club for the ensuing year have been installed: Julius Wenig, president; George Auth, vice president; James A. Bishop, recording secretary; August Specht, financial secretary; Frank Auth, treasurer; Board of directors—Johann Zegowitz, George Brähler, John Giebel; sergeant-at-arms, Anton Auth. Tomorrow night the club will celebrate its eighth anniversary.

Library Society Lecture.

Dr. Ainsworth R. Spofford, of the Library of Congress, will deliver a lecture on the "Objects of a Course of Library Science," at the Columbian University Monday afternoon, beginning at 4:50. Friends of the university interested in the subject may obtain free tickets at the office of the registrar.

Institute Literary Society.

The literary society of Carroll Institute held its regular bi-weekly meeting Tuesday evening last, in the institute reading rooms. The meeting was presided over by President Bellie. The program included, "The Play of Today, What Is It?" by James A. O'Shea, Ph. D.; "A Selected Reading," by James F. Shea, and "The Judiciary: How Shall It Be Constituted?" by W. C. Sullivan. The next meeting will be held Tuesday evening, January 19, in which much interest is being manifested. A special program has been arranged for the occasion, when the first anniversary of the organization of the society will be celebrated.

Unique Euchre Club.

The euchre club held its regular bi-weekly meeting on Thursday evening last. A large number of prizes were awarded, the principal ones as follows: Women, first to Mrs. Linton, second to Miss Mullaly, third to Maggie Hannan, fourth to Annie Tuohy, fifth to Cora Gaskins, sixth to Mrs. Brennan; men, first to Joseph Hausler, second to T. D. McCarthy, third to Harry Burns, fourth to W. L. Dunn, fifth to A. B. Coppes, and sixth to Mr. Shugue. The club will hold its next meeting on Thursday evening, January 21.

Working Boys' Club.

The Working Boys' Literary and Debating Club held a most interesting debate on the relative merits of fame and money on Tuesday. Before the debate, the club was entertained by songs sung by Captain Crowley and his wife, and hugely enjoyed the character impersonations of Randall Gardner and Wilford Miller, who although made up as negro minstrels bore the somewhat Hibernian pseudonyms of Mr. Dooley and Mr. Carthy. The debate itself, "Resolved, That men will do more for fame than for money," was captained by

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Quartet, of which Dr. J. W. Bischoff is director, will sing. This quartet is composed of Mrs. Eloise Bischoff, soprano; Mrs. Adelaide Humphrey, contralto; Douglas Miller, tenor, and H. D. Lawson, basso. Admission to the meeting will be by ticket only. Tickets may be secured from hotels and drug stores generally, as well as from the Young Men's Christian Association building.

Epworth League News.

The topic for the devotional meeting on Sunday evening is "What Is Your Attitude to Your Sin?" Some texts of "penitence. Reference, Psalms, fifty-first chapter, first to seventh verses. Items of Epworth League doings for insertion in this column should be in the hands of E. H. Pullman, 409 F Street southwest, not later than Thursday morning of each week. Local Epworthians are urged to forward him items of League interest.

The president of those chapters who have not as yet sent in their reports to a list of the chapter officers for the new League directory, are requested to do so at once. They will kindly forward the list of their officers to M. R. Speelman, in charge of printing the directory, 1225 Massachusetts Avenue southeast. This information should be in Mr. Speelman's hands before Monday evening.

Prof. William B. Ireland, an active member of the Epworth League, is singing the praises of Sibley Hospital for the kind and efficient services given him during his recent illness.

Mrs. E. M. Wharton conducted the League service at Eldbrooke Chapter last Sunday evening. After an interest in the mission work, pledges were made by those present sufficiently to support a missionary in India for this year. The regular monthly meeting of the board of control was held at Wesley Chapel on Wednesday evening last. Dr. John H. Weller presided, and Frank T. Israel acted as secretary. Those present

Literary.

West End Woman's Christian Temperance Union met on the evening of January 4. Mrs. Catching, the vice president, called to order and Mrs. Smiley led the devotional exercises. Mrs. Irwin reported the last meeting and Mrs. Farnham arranged for the members' meeting which will be held January 20 at the home of the organization, 522 Sixth Street.

Mrs. Clinton Smith, the District president, being present, announced that the National Association of Christian Workers will hold its annual convention in St. Louis, and asked this union to join with others in the District to help make it a creditable exhibit. She also told of the valuable reply prepared by Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, of Boston, to the objections published by the self-appointed "Committee of Fifty" to the study in the public schools of physiology with reference to the effects of alcohol upon the human system. Mrs. Smith asked the union to contribute to the expense of circulating this reply, which corrects the misleading statements.

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Le Droit Union Meeting.

The regular meeting of Le Droit Union, W. C. T. U., was held Thursday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. Grandfield. The meeting was opened by devotional exercises, conducted by Mrs. Catlin. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The president, Mrs. Phillips, reported a donation of \$5 for department work. It was moved and seconded to send flowers to the members who are ill. The president urged the women to attend the W. C. T. U. public meeting, to be held in the First Congregational Church, Tenth and C Streets northwest, January 10, at 3 o'clock p. m. The topic is "Late Victories for Our Cause."

The meeting will be addressed by Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis and others. Arrangements were made for holding a meeting for the reorganization of Le Droit Union, at the residence of Mrs. Fernald, State superintendent of mothers' meetings, of the State of New York, made the address of the afternoon. It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given her, which was done. The meeting then adjourned, and a social hour, during which coffee and wafers were served by the hostess, was enjoyed.

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Among the important items of business transacted was the authorization of Mrs. M. M. Mitchell to make an effort to raise and to devise ways and means looking to the raising of \$500 for the Epworth League. M. R. Speelman, chairman of the printing committee, reported progress on the new League directory and those chapters which have not sent in the information requested for the same are urged to send the matter to Mr. Speelman at once.

Mr. Speelman hopes to have the new directory in the chapters by the end of next week. Mrs. E. M. Wharton, secretary, who has in charge of the illustrated lectures on "The Days of the Revolution," announced that three lectures would be given the latter part of February. One is to be given in the Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church and another in North Capitol. The date of the third lecture has not yet been decided upon. Details of the lectures will be announced later.

Hindu Philosophy.

At the meeting of the Society for the Study of Hindu Philosophy at the Columbian University, Tuesday, January 5, 1904, Edward S. Steele read an interesting paper on "Hindu Philosophy." In place of Dr. Edward Farquhar, who was prevented by illness from presenting his paper on "Sutras Frigens."

At the meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 12, 1904, at 4:30 p. m., it is expected that Dr. Farquhar's paper will be given, and the Rev. Frank Sewall, D. D., will give some account of the recent meeting of the American Philosophical Association at Princeton, N. J.

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Patriotic.

Dr. Reynolds Honored.

At the installation of officers of Lafayette Post, No. 20, G. A. R., Dr. Elmer Reynolds, commander, was given a handsome silver watch as a service by his comrades in appreciation of his services in the past year.

The Minute Men.

The "assembly" of the First Regiment of Minute Men, M. A. Winter, colonel commanding, at their armory, 338-341 Pennsylvania Avenue northwest, last Monday evening, was full of interest and enthusiasm. The First Battalion, in command of Capt. James Mulvey, was drilled in battalion formation, and was put through some very intricate movements.

Colonel Winter detailed Lieut. Col. E. R. Campbell and Capt. B. B. Smith to attend the mass meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution, held in the parlors of the Arlington last Wednesday evening, to perfect arrangements in reference to the First Regiment, Minute Men, to be taken in the colonial ball, to be given by the D. A. R., at the Arlington Hotel, Monday, January 18, in commemoration of the marriage of Gen. George Washington and Mrs. Martha Parke Custis.

This ball, aside from the White House functions, promises to be the most unique and spectacular affair to be given in society circles the present season. It will be a vivid reminder of colonial days, and the first time in the history of the United States, since the days of the Revolutionary war, will women in colonial costume, escorted by a soldier in Continental uniform, pass through a double column of Minute Men and